

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

BUSSE et al.

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For:

PCA3 Messenger RNA Species in

Benign and Malignant Prostate

Tissues

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Amendment and Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Mail Stop Amendment

Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action ("OA") dated January 5, 2006, in connection with the above-identified patent application, please consider the following Amendments and Remarks.

Applicants submitted concurrently a Petition for Extension of Time for one month, to and including May 5, 2006, accompanied by the required fee.

It is not believed that extensions of time or other fees are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.